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In re the application of	Examiner: Unassigned
Inventors: Timothy A. Limon	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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Filed: December 28, 2001	,
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted prior to examination on the merits. It is respectfully requested that the Preliminary Amendment be entered and that examination be commenced at the earliest opportunity.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph commencing on page 2, line 13 and insert the following new paragraph:

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